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Springfield, Illinois 62706

Refer to: Macon County - 11580406 - Decatur/Murrell

January 24, 1978

Mr. Ruben Murrell
Route 8, Box 153
Decatur, Illinois 62522

Dear Mr. Murrell:

A reinspection of your property located off Hill Road near Harristown was made on January 11, 1978, by Terry G. Ayers, representing this Agency. The inspection disclosed the following deficiencies which constitute violations of the Environmental Protection Act and Chapter 7 of the Illinois Pollution Control Board Rules and Regulations on Solid Waste, which have not been corrected since notification by letter from this Agency dated October 25, 1977.

... Your solid waste disposal site does not have a permit issued by this Agency. Chapter 7 of the Illinois Pollution Control Board Rules and Regulations on Solid Waste provides in substance that, subject to the specific exemption contained in Section 21(e) of the Act, no person shall cause or allow the use or operation of any solid waste management site without an operating permit issued by the Agency.

... Solid waste was being deposited at the top of the slope in violation of Solid Waste Rule 303(a) which states that all waste shall be deposited into the toe of the fill or into the bottom of the trench. This practice ensures better spreading and compaction density in the fill; reduces the total volume of cover material needed; and will reduce future settling problems.

... Solid waste was not being satisfactorily covered. It was observed that the operating face of the fill was exposed. A minimum of six (6) inches of compacted suitable natural earthen cover material should be applied to the operating face at the close of each day's operation. The slope of the face should not exceed 2:1 to facilitate the placement of cover material. (For best results, cover material should be placed and spread from the bottom of the slope rather than from the top of the fill.)

... Solid Waste was not being spread and compacted as received and deposited. As rapidly as solid waste is deposited at the toe of the

fill, all solid waste must be spread and compacted in layers within the daily cell. Such individual layers should not exceed a depth of two (2) feet. (Note that the daily cell generally consists of several compacted layers.)

... Open burning of garbage and barrels was observed.

... You have not responded to or acted on the contents of the warning letter dated October 25, 1977. You are directed to furnish this Agency with details of the proper disposal of the industrial wastes buried on your property.

The Agency has referred the results of its investigation to the Attorney General's Office for action before the Illinois Pollution Control Board pursuant to the Environmental Protection Act and the Solid Waste Rules and Regulations.

Sincerely,

Rene' Van Someren, Central Region Manager
Land Field Operations Section
Division of Land/Noise Pollution Control

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Enclosure: Inspection Report

cc: Division File
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